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Good afternoon!

I attached a summary of public participation requirements. The requirements for submittal of new or revised WQS are (the highlighted requirements would be applicable to a submittal of uses. The information to satisfy 131.6(b) would include the technical and scientific support for the uses and the biocriteria the demonstrate that the use classes are appropriate and scientifically defensible):

### **§131.6 Minimum requirements for water quality standards submission.**

The following elements must be included in each State's water quality standards submitted to EPA for review:

(a) Use designations consistent with the provisions of sections 101(a)(2) and 303(c)(2) of the Act.

(b) Methods used and analyses conducted to support water quality standards revisions.

(c) Water quality criteria sufficient to protect the designated uses.

(d) An antidegradation policy consistent with §131.12.

(e) Certification by the State Attorney General or other appropriate legal authority within the State that the water quality standards were duly adopted pursuant to State law.

(f) General information which will aid the Agency in determining the adequacy of the scientific basis of the standards which do not include the uses specified in section 101(a)(2) of the Act as well as information on general policies applicable to State standards which may affect their application and implementation.

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